GENERATIONS

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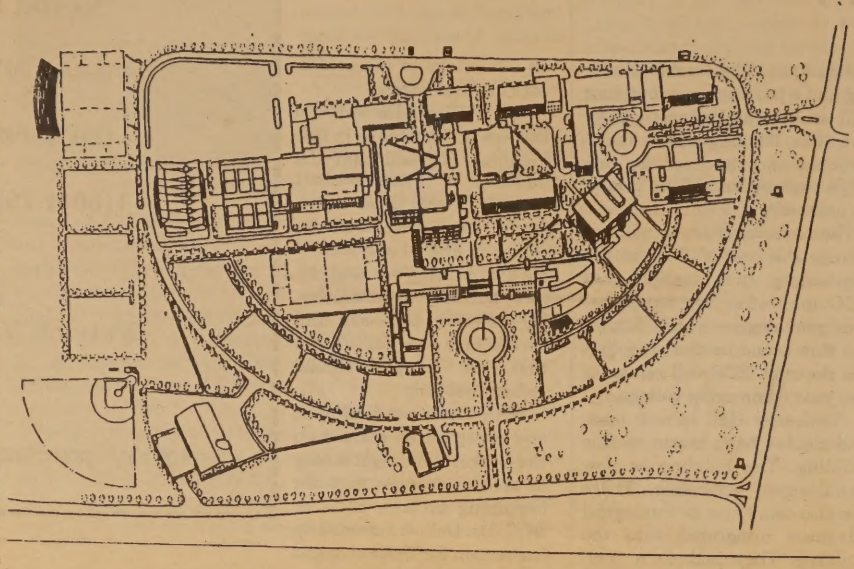
Master Plan: The future at BCC

by Ken Lawton, staff writer

BCC recently unveiled its Master Plan for future development of the campus. The Master Plan was introduced to the public and outlined by BCC's Vice President for Student Affairs, Mr. Charles Quagliata. The plan includes the construction of several new buildings and the renovation of existing buildings. This plan could be completed over the next ten years. The first phases of the plan have already started with the renovation of Tichener Hall and construction of the Decker Building. Mr. Quagliata referred to the Plan as a "vision for the future." During an interview with Mr. Quagliata this "vision" became much clearer.

The plan will address the physical needs of the campus today and potential needs for the future. It will make the campus more handicapped accessible, which is needed today. It will also provide more recreational space, along with more space for academic programs such as art, music, health and science, and communications. The Decker Building will be the new Health and Science center and will provide those programs with the added space that they need.

The Master Plan is not a package proposal, it merely sets up a framework for future development. Each aspect of the plan must be approved on an individual basis. Enrollment patterns and funding will dictate which aspects of the plan will be implemented. Because of this, it is impossible to say how many buildings will eventually be completed or in what order those buildings will be constructed. Mr. Quagliata pointed out that "without the fiscal resources we can't build anything." Funding for new construction would have to come from Broome County and the State of New York.



BCC proposed campus plan

A new communications building is one aspect of the plan that Mr. Quagliata is optimistic about being completed. This new building would replace the need for the Alms House and would also be profitable for BCC. After the building is completed BCC would have the ability to house corporate service training programs. The college would no longer have to rent space from hotels to provide this service.

Another profitable aspect of the Master Plan would be the construction of an ice rink, which could be rented out to the public. Hudson Valley College already has a system such as this to maintain its ice rink. This is a popular idea with students and BCC executives.

Mr. Quagliata also stressed the point that the Master Plan would not raise tuition. He stated that, "There is no relationship between that and tuition; tuition goes up for other reasons." Tuition is a direct result of an operating budget. Since BCC is not paying for the Master Plan there would not be any operating costs. If BCC gave any money, it would be from private donations and would be used to offset the county's part of the bill.

When asked if he believed the entire plan would ever be completed Mr. Quagliata said, "I do, I tend to be a very optimistic person. There is a rough time line. We have to go in slowly, get public, internal and external support. Timing is critical."

SGA president elected to state post

by Rick Lanfear, News Editor

Allan Truesdell

The Student Government President, Allan Truesdell, was recently given an important position with the Student Assembly in Albany. The Student Assembly is the governing body for the SGAs and provides representation on the state level. Mr. Truesdell will be one of the eight members of the Executive Committee. Each member represents eight schools to the Student Assembly.

Mr. Truesdell is the first person from BCC to hold a position on the executive committee. I spoke to Mr. Truesdell about this new position and his views as President of BCC's SGA.

Mr. Truesdell's new responsibilities as a member of the Executive Committee include maintaining a paternal eye on the SGAs within his district. He described this duty by saying, "Before I check up on them, my first responsibility is to check in on them, to see if there is anything that they require representation on."

His district includes Binghamton University and may extend to Oswego. He pointed out that BCC is his first priority, and that this new position could be a benefit to all BCC students. One of the first issues that he plans to bring up in front of the committee is problems that some students are having with TAP grants.

At this time there are very few specific problems to be addressed. In the meantime Mr. Truesdell is keeping in contact with those whom he represents. He believes that by keeping close contacts many problems can be dealt with before they get out of hand. This will allow the SGA to remain self governing and avoid the need for intervention from state level authorities.

At BCC one of the issues that he plans to address as SGA President is student involvement in clubs and extracurricular activities. He believes that it is important for students to get involved with campus activities.

By being involved students not only contribute to the environment surrounding BCC, but also benefit themselves. Involvement in campus activities is necessary to gain a whole and well rounded education, according to Truesdell.

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Newspaper name changes

The BCC Newspaper has a new name. At the beginning of the semester the paper ran a "name the paper" contest. There were a number of suggestions with a wide range of creative responses. The staff of the paper voted to use Karen Thayne's suggestion of *Generations*.

The staff felt that this title best described the make up of the campus. BCC's role as a community college attracts students from all age groups. Many students know friends, neighbors and family members who have attended BCC in the past. *Generations* best reflects this unique aspect of our campus.

Thank you Karen, and please stop by our offices located in the maintenance building behind the A.T. building to receive your prize.

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News

Once again, from the top

Role remains through structural changes

by Rick Lanfear, News Editor

The BCC campus is undergoing a number of changes at this time. Dr. Dellow, President of BCC, commented on these changes during a recent interview. The first topic of discussion was the Master Plan. Dr. Dellow clarified a number of points concerning the plan. The first idea is that the Master Plan is an attempt to anticipate the future needs of BCC. These needs may be in the form of more space for corporate retraining programs and for making BCC more handicapped accessible.

The construction of the new county jail and the new road that is involved with this project give BCC an excellent opportunity to change the entrance to the campus. The Decker Building and a proposed new building will accent and define the new entrance. Parking will be redistributed and the need for one large parking lot will no longer be necessary.

The new construction will not change the role of BCC in the community. It is possible that BCC may offer an occasional four year degree in the future, but this would be the exception not the rule. BCC will remain a two year community college.

Titchener Hall is now open and classes have begun in this building. The building is now handicapped accessible. There are also some new technological advances integrated into the building. They include a computer projection system in the lecture halls and each class room will have one or two permanent T.V.s installed. These should be an advantage to the professors in these rooms.

Dr. Dellow also stressed the new environment in this building. He said that the building is "more student friendly. Each floor has a lounge area were students can go in and sit and study." He also pointed out that the new building is attractive. He believes that art and ascetics are a part of life and that our campus should reflect that fact.

With Titchener Hall open and construction started on the Decker Building it is easy to see the changes that are beginning to take place at BCC. Dr. Dellow summed up the reason for these changes when he stated that "our students deserve as good a facility as SUNY or any other state institution."

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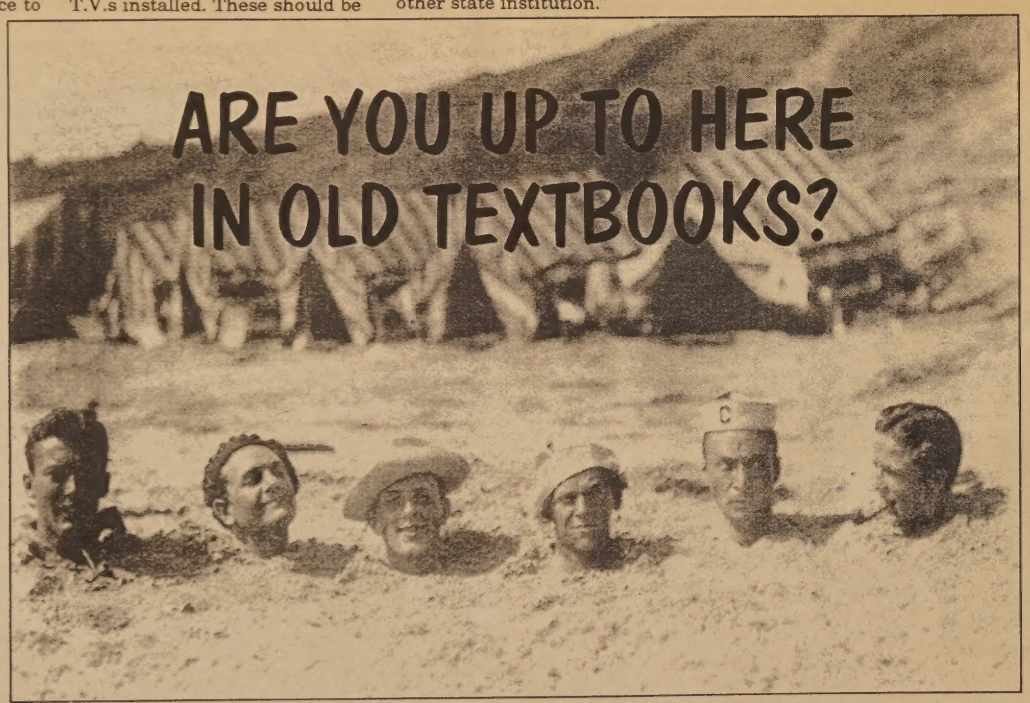

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Features

Patrick O'Neil: Who's Who at BCC

by Nilsa Mariano, staff writer

Professor Patrick O'Neil is presently a full-time professor for the Department of Humanities and Social Sciences at BCC. O'Neil has taught philosophy and history courses over the past nine years.

A Norwich native, O'Neil was attracted to philosophy for what he sees as a discipline that relates to everything. O'Neil especially enjoys his ethnic, social, and political classes where the eternal questions such as, "Is there a God?, why are we here?, and what is the nature of justice?" challenge the students to explore the issues at hand.

O'Neil has acquired numerous degrees from Binghamton University: Ph.D. in History, MA in Social Science, MA in History, MA in Philosophy, MA in English Literature, and a BA in English Literature. O'Neil has had numerous publications as well as reviewed fellow professors' publications. And he finds time to lecture extensively from the U.S. to Europe. O'Neil will appear in the 25th anniversary edition of *Who's Who in the East.*

Who's who in benches

O'Neil is a man who is fond of his soda and cigars; he enjoys sitting on the benches around campus, ready to hold court with anyone willing to entertain their intellect. Although politically conservative, O'Neil belies the stereotype of the stuffy, humorless conservative with his earthy humor and mock bewilderment of the world around him.

O'Neil wishes to teach a course again in the Philosophy of Religions and recommends a course in Ancient and Medieval History. O'Neil laments the lack of emphasis on learning the classics and the Bible, which are great sources for argument by analogy and the loosening of standards of discipline he sees evident in some of his students. Yet he also views this as a challenge to his teaching: a conservative, Orthodox Catholic, raconteur and prolific intellectual, O'Neil is pragmatic enough to wait for those shining moments in teaching.

Alumni article correction

by Jennifer McCague, Features Editor

In a previous edition of *Generations* the article concerning the Alumni Association was inaccurate. Cathi Mathias is the Director of Alumni Affairs, which involves responsibilities for the Alumni Association and BCC Foundation.

However, the Alumni Association is an organization that was created to encourage and facilitate the ongoing relationship between Broome Community College and its graduates. The Alumni Association sponsors four scholarships each year for graduating seniors who are transferring to four year institutions. They also sponsor their own campus projects and improvements, such as the plaque in front of the Baldwin Gym and the Richard E. Baldwin Distinguished Service Award.

Membership in the Alumni Association was formerly limited to BCC graduates, but is now open to any matriculated BCC student with at least 15 credit hours completed. Benefits to Alumni Association members include discounts on car rentals, hotels, restaurants and other local services, free admission to most Hornet home sporting events, and more. There is a one time membership fee of $25.00 and any interested students who qualify may join by bringing their fee to the Alumni Affairs office in Wales 114, or call 778-5036 for more information.

Coming soon to a campus near you!!!

Ditrani & students on location

Have you been to a feature film recently, say in the past twenty years? Well, a great deal has changed with the times but the same basic elements are required to create a film.

First you need a knowledge and understanding of the many factors involved in a Hollywood production--it is not as simple as it looks on the silver screen.

The Communications Department at BCC offers various film courses for students considering a career in the film industry. The *Film Making* Course is taught by Jason Ditrani. Ditrani covers the history of photographic imagery in relation to film making, as well as the numerous aspects involved in creating and making a film.

These aspects range from the basic types of cameras used to the production process. The course allows the students hands-on experience with both 8mm and 16mm cameras.

After learning the basics, the students are required to produce individual Super 8mm films--both filming and editing are done by the students.

Students also have a class project, which is filmed in 16mm on BCC's campus.

You may have seen the students setting up the equipment, loading the cameras, or taking light readings--not even the cold weather stops them from filming.

So move over Quientin Tarrintino, if you can do it anyone can. BCC's *Film Making* course is a stepping stone to a job in the film industry of the future.

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Features

Have a safe holiday season

by Jennifer McCague, Features Editor

The holiday season is upon us and cheer spreads across the nation. Throughout the next month people of all nationalities and cultures will be celebrating the various holidays from Hanukkah, to Christmas, to Kwanza, to New Year's Day.

Family gatherings, as well as work-related and social parties are everywhere and so is the increase of alcohol intake. This means an increase in the number of drunk drivers on our roadways.

We can all help decrease the numbers by preventing our friends and family members from drinking if they are driving. Another option is acknowledging a designated driver before you leave for a party, club, or bar. This will enable you to enjoy yourself without worrying if you will make it home without destroying another person's life, as well as your own.

Did you know: 1)There is one alcohol-related fatality in the United States every 30 minutes. 2) Alcohol was involved in 45 percent of the fatal crashes in 1992. 3) About two in every five Americans will be involved in an alcohol-related crash at some time in their lives.

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BCC Day Care Center provides needed service to students and staff

by Nilsa Mariano, staff writer

If you want to see Nancy Seliga, Director of the BCC Day Care Center, don't plan on 11:30 am. Almost every day Nancy is setting up and distributing lunch at the center for her little clients. Of course, this is a job that could easily be delegated to one of the helpers. Nancy shows her dedication and genuine affection for the children, and takes this job on without a second thought. This is but a small example of the leadership that fosters such a caring and friendly atmosphere at the day care center.

Day care children with teacher, Linda

The BCC Day Care Center celebrated its first anniversary September 1, 1994. The long awaited facility had much to celebrate. The center has a full time staff of 9, a parttime staff of 3, and 7 parttime aides, as well as several work study students. At last count there were an influx of children: 75 children are presently enrolled at the center. Seventy-two of the children have parents enrolled at BCC, while the rest are children of faculty and staff. The center serves breakfast, lunch, and afternoon snack to the children. These meals are of course planned with the children's nutritional needs in mind. In addition parents give information to the center concerning food allergies or forbidden foods.

The center receives the majority of its funding through a combination of SUNY-funds via the Faculty/Student Association Foundation and Federal Block grants. Last year the BCC graduating class of 1993 contributed $1,500 to the center. This money was spent on a large sandbox, a camera, a refrigerator, and a wallpaper border for the toddler room. There are a variety of projects and a wish list which the staff at the center are always willing to share with various clubs on campus seeking projects. Another way to help the center is by working hands-on with projects such as cleaning up the bank behind the playground and helping plant wild flowers.

In addition to providing a secure, pleasant, enriching and reasonably priced care for the children, the center is providing a hands-on learning experience for BCC students. The Early Childhood program uses the center to provide student teaching opportunities. The nursing program also makes use of the center for observation of developmental stages of the children. Both programs are as unobtrusive and discreet as possible.

The center plans a variety of activities and themes throughout the year. These range from field trips to a farm, to visits by firefighters, to a trip to see children's theatre productions at the college theatre. All ideas or offers from members of the college community that may enrich the children's lives are welcomed and appreciated.

Of course the most important service the BCC Day Care Center provides is that intangible thing called peace of mind for the parents. Finding quality, accessible care for one's child can be exhausting and nerve-wracking. Students with children have enough problems balancing their household, the child's needs and schedule, and their own class schedule and study time. The sense of peace and confidence the BCC Day Care Center provides is something no accountant or computer printout will ever be able to calculate.

BCC PONDER POND

With Congress, every time they make a joke it's a law, and every time they make a law it's a joke.
-Will Rogers

Jumping To Conclusions

The carpet layer stepped back to survey a newly installed carpet. Reaching into his shirt pocket for a cigarette, he realized the pack was missing. At the same time, he noticed a lump under the carpet in the middle of the room, about the size of the missing pack. With no way to retrieve his pack from under the carpet without ripping the carpet up and staring over, he finally decided to beat the object flat, thereby destroying the evidence of his mistake. Gathering his tools, the carpet layer walked out to his truck. There on the seat were the cigarettes. As he lit one up, the homeowner hurried out of the house and asked, "Hey have you seen my son's gerbil?"

-Braude's Treasury of Wit

Where to Stand

Where you stand on an issue often depends on where you sit.

It Just Doesn't Pay

For every dollar someone gets that they didn't earn, someone earned it and didn't get it.

Bring the Toolbox

If the only tool you have is a hammer, you tend to see every problem as a nail.
-Abraham Maslow

Features

To eat or not to eat: that is the question

by Jennifer McCague, Features Editor

Unfortunately this is not an excerpt from Shakespeare's Hamlet. Millions of Americans struggle with this question on a daily basis. They soon find themselves controlled by food. This is incomprehensible if you have never suffered from or witnessed a family member or friend suffering with an eating disorder. An eating disorder is a disease and must be treated or can be it fatal.

Eating Disorders are grouped into two primary categories: Anorexia Nervosa and Bulimia Nervosa. Anorexia Nervosa is the obsession with thinness. Sufferers deliberately starve themselves and often become malnourished. Laxative, and diuretic abuse is common, as well as compulsive exercising. Anorexics' self-image is low and they rarely see how emaciated they have become. Not only has their image been distorted, but their daily routine denies them nourishment and energy. Their bodies will eventually break down--dizzy spells and fainting occur often. The longer you starve yourself the more damage is done both physically and mentally.

Bulimia Nervosa is the most common of the two diseases. Bulimics eat compulsively and purge through self-induced vomiting, laxatives, fasts, and vigorous exercise to prevent weight gain. This addictive cycle usually occurs in secrecy and can progress from once a week to multiple times a day. The individual's weight may fluctuate during this period or stay the same, so not many people are aware there is a problem. Sufferers usually cannot wait to be alone so they can binge and purge. Bulimia is just as dangerous and hard to recover from as Anorexia and if left untreated may go on for years and eventually be fatal.

Both woman and men suffer from eating disorders. Males suffering with an eating disorder tend to be in certain subgroups which emphasize slenderness or body perfection--these include models, athletes, wrestlers, dancers, and long distance runners. Female college students are one of the largest groups afflicted, followed by adolescent girls. Anorexia and Bulimia do not occur over night; people don't wake up one morning protesting food or deciding to stick their fingers down your throat. There are various causes that build up over a period of time. Psychologically these individuals use food as a control mechanism. By controlling their body image they appear to have control of their lives and how others perceive them. Later on they find a lack of control and must come to the realization that they can only do their best. Everyone has to live for themselves and what makes their life content. Weight does not make a person whole; it is much more than that which gives you your identity.

Not being able to leave your bed because you're 5'8" and weigh a mere sixty pounds, or not going out with friends after work because you cannot wait to run home and clean out the fridge (only to purge) are not examples of control. Rather they are examples of a lack of control involved with these serious illnesses.

In addition to the reality of not being able to deal with emotions and personal life, there is the think thin attitude spreading over the nation. From our youth we equate beauty with a person's waist size. Women are portrayed on magazines, television, and in films as either thin or average weight. Thin means perfection, having everything you could ever imagine--that is a farce. Even the larger role models such as Oprah or Rosanne are on the continuous quest for the supposed healthier, thinner body. We must ask ourselves, is it worth the disturbance of our physical and mental well-being to achieve what we think will make us more acceptable to those around us. "Difference is what makes each of us beautiful; we all have our own gifts and talents." Most people have heard this phrase at least once while growing up. The irony is that our parents are usually sharing this prophetic view on their way out to the health club or to a Jenny Craig meeting. Dieting and exercise has become part of our culture in the 20th century. Sadly enough we some times abuse and over do-it, which may result in a problem that needs attention or that can be fatal. Some woman and men suffer for years without treatment. The longer this cycle continues the harder it is to recover, but it is possible.

There is not one simple cure, but like most situations you have to realize you need outside help and acknowledge there is a problem. Through counseling or self-help groups you learn how to deal with your emotions and in turn you will gradually learn healthier eating habits and how to achieve a healthy body without starving, or binging and purging.

Not only are the anorexic and the bulimic suffering, but so are the family and friends. There are groups to help them deal with the situation .

If you feel you have a problem with eating or feel someone close to you has a problem, here are some danger signs to look for: Intense fear of becoming fat or gaining weight, weight determines your self-esteem, repeated and unsuccessful dieting, fasting, self-induced vomiting, laxative and/ or diuretic abuse, compulsive exercise, loss of appetite for a period of time.

It is very easy for someone else to say you are perfect the way you are but it is so hard to feel its validity. If you feel you need help, it's okay, you are not alone. You can contact Lynn Balunas at 778-5210. If you would prefer outside help you can contact the following: Family and Children's Society at 729-6206, Broome County Health Clinic at 778-1151, Catholic Social Services at 729-9166, UHS Women's Health Connection at 763-6546.

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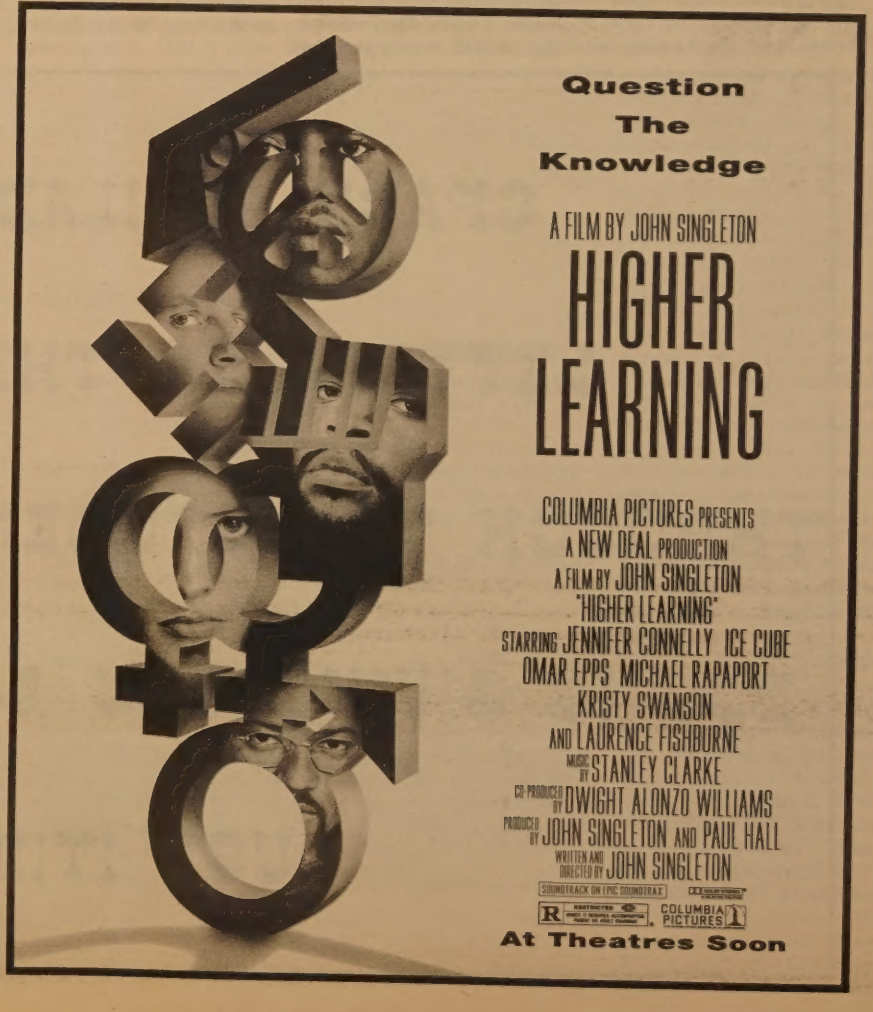

Opinions

Letters to the editor

The college experience *by Matt Ruffo*

College! Hurray! Time for beer drinking, frat parties, and fun times right? My whole life I've looked forward to college. I thought it would be like the movie Animal House with crazy people running around, food fights in the cafeteria, skipping classes, and the dean riding around on a big horse. Now that I've finally made it here, I can safely say that college is nothing like Animal House, too bad. Instead B.C.C. is like a thirteenth grade that you have to pay for. Everyone in high school was so excited to get to college that some of the excitement rubbed off on me, or maybe they were just excited to leave high school. College is definitely over-rated by high schoolers.

High school was never this expensive. I have spent approximately $2,000 on college, so far. No one ever told me I'd have to spend $300 on books. I never thought my teachers in high school were telling the truth when they said, "Take care of these brand new books. They cost $40 apiece." I thought the cost of books was included in the tuition price. Isn't that a better idea? Books alone set me back a few months, so no more salad bar, Taco Bell, pizza, or vittles from the grill at the cafeteria for a while. Too bad, because the food was twenty times better than the government cheese sandwiches from Barb, my high school cafeteria lady. With Barb I shared a special relationship, she would always give an extra handful of french fries on my plate. I guess the cafeteria workers get smarter when you go to college too. They know how to make more than fries, and you can't charge a lunch anymore. I probably bought about five of the hundreds of government supplied lunches that I ate. I still owe that school hundreds, but they let me graduate anyway. Now I'll have to be responsible and pay for my own lunch, when I'm out of the hole, that is, which won't be until I'm a few years out of college.

Gas is one expense that I didn't figure into the $2000, but it damages my wallet each week. During high school I filled my tank once or so every week. Now I put $10 in three or four times a week. I drive thirty miles a day round trip from my house to Broome. My high school was one or two miles away from my house, and was all downhill too, which saved a lot on gas. Now I need one of those 'economy' cars. The kind of car that only uses two cents every five miles would be perfect. Instead I have a gas sucking Chevy Camaro that won't move in the snow, except for downhill. That car sucks down an eighth of a tank every trip I make to Broome. If I want to go home that is another eighth of a tank, so many expenses and so little money.

The pros of college definitely outweigh the cons. However, there is one thing I did like about high school that is that I knew everyone. I knew the janitors, the lunch ladies, the I.S.C. lady, and was good acquaintances with the attendance lady, maybe because I came late to school everyday. The thing is that they knew me too, especially my grade administrators. They always seemed to show up at smoke time in the bath-

A response to "In Agony"

This is in response to the person who wrote the letter to the editor, " In Agony." First let me congratulate you on finding someone who means so much to you. It is not very easy to find someone who is special enough, gay or straight, that you would want to meet your parents - congratulations on such a find !!!

The fears you have are normal, but do not dwell on the "what ifs." Look for the brighter side of things. The fears that you have about your friends not continuing your friendship just because you are gay, if they are "real" friends they will not let it interfere with your friendship. I do not mean to be cliché but it is true, "real" friends won't mind if you are gay.

All last semester my friends knew I was dating someone. When they asked what her name was I got scared and told them "Brenda." One friend, who I got along with like a sister I never had, heard the truth. After a long debate with myself, I told her at the end of the semester. I told her that my girlfriend's name was not Brenda, but Brian. The only thing she said was: "Oh, that's cool!" I thought my news would shock her so bad that I had come up with answers to questions that might come up, instead I was the one that was shocked!

As far as your family, I do not know what to tell you. My family is also somewhat religious. I've lived with my grandmother since before I was a teenager. She is having a hard time with the idea of me being gay. She found out around Easter time. Before you tell your parents, I suggest readinga book called,*Positively Gay*. I don't remember the author's name. Be prepared to give them time to deal with this and handle it.

You can also talk to Sharon Zembek, the campus nurse. You can sit in on a LAMBDA meeting with us. This is my first semester out and my first time going to LAMBDA. If you can overcome your fears, you can overcome anything! The decisions are yours, all you have to do is choose.

Once again, congratulations to you and your lover on your newly found love. Be careful!

Jon

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

THROUGH THE STUDENT NEWSPAPER

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Opinions

Should society have the right to persecute child molestors?

by Bob Spettigue, OP/Ed Editor

I believe that, as a rule, once a criminal has served his sentence for a crime he has paid his debt to society and should not have to face further legal penalties for that crime. But, there are exceptions to every rule. In this case one exception is the child molester.

I am not singling out child molesters simply because their crimes are so disgusting. I single them out because most child molesters suffer from pedophilia--an uncontrollable urge to have sex with children. Their behavior is not under their rational control.

They know that molesting children is wrong.In fact they often hate themselves for doing it. They understand that they face prison, social leprosy, and even physical harm if they're caught. But they do it anyway because they can't resist the compulsion.

Psychotherapy appears to be of little or no help to them. Apparently pedophilia is as unchangeable as sexual orientation. Statistics on repeat offenders bear this out.

This being the case, it would seem that society needs some extra protection from pedophiles.

Passing Megan's law would be a good place to start to provide that protection. This law would require state authorities to inform local authorities when a known child molester moved into a new area. The local authorities could then inform parents and schools, who could take whatever precautions they deem necessary.

Some people will argue that this would be unfair to pedophiles because it would deny them the opportunity to rebuild their lives after their sentences ended. This is true. If this law is passed, convicted child molesters will be unwelcome in any community in New York State, and it will be practically impossible for them to find a job.

But what's more unfair--ruining the lives of a few convicted child molesters, or letting them ruin the lives of victims and their families? Ask Sara Anne Wood's parents.

In search of a complete world

by Rick Lanfear, News Editor

Ghosts, they are the spirits that travel with us through our lives. Many people may argue against their existence; in truth their existence is not questionable. Those who claim that there are no ghosts suffer from being unable to see or feel them. I believe that this inability to "see" comes from not knowing how to find ghosts. With this in mind, I hope to assist people in finding ghosts.

Ghost finding is not a hard task; they inhabit many common places around us. Visit Yankee stadium, stare at home plate and call for Babe Ruth. It is not necessary to call out loud, just call as if you were talking to yourself. He will come and force you to look towards the outfield wall. Yankee stadium too far away? Then try visiting the flag pole in front of the Wales building. Read the plaque and try calling them(use the same technique described above). If you concentrate and wait, they will come, but don't leave at this point. Try talking with them, they possess vast amounts of knowledge and can help with many of life's problems.

Ghosts love to visit during the holidays. Unfortunately we are usually quite rude to them. We claim that we are too busy shopping, studying and partying to take a moment of time to converse with the ghosts. This year I would like persuade everyone to make up for their rudeness in the past, and make an effort to share the holidays with everyone.

So, on Christmas morning set aside a few moments to visit the ghosts. Look for the ghost of your childhood (I'm sure that he or she will be there). Try to be patient, wait and call a couple of times--they may not answer immediately, remember you have been rude to them in the past. They are very forgiving though and will soon speak with you. This will be a wonderful opportunity because they can provide you with a great amount of insight into any problems that you may be facing.

Lastly, after you have spent some time with your ghost take the time to look at others around you. If you look closely you will see new ghosts being born, and if you look close enough you will see those newborn ghosts being cared for by the spirit Christmas. Some refer to this spirit as Santa Claus, but what he is called is not important. All that matters is that he is real and exists in as real a manner as Babe Ruth. When you see him, say hello. I'm sure that he has missed you lately and that both of you will be overjoyed to be reunited again. Merry Life.

Will registration ever be easy?

by Amy Reich, Editor in Chief

On November 14 and 16, most students returning for the spring semester awoke early to battle a long line in the Applied Technology building. It was quite clear that many students are unsatisfied with the current procedure for registering. Melissa Campoli spoke of the procedure: "I think it is the most unorganized thing I have ever seen. I was near the front of the line and the next thing I knew I was at the end."

At seven o'clock everyone seemed a bit tired, but as the morning slowly passed, students became anxious. Verbal confrontations were popping up at every point in the line because everyone would accuse another of "budging." Around nine o'clock, Charlie Quagliata, Vice-President of Student & Community Affairs, and David Maslar, Director of Student Activities, arrived with numbered tickets. Beginning at the front of the line, each student received a ticket. If your number didn't follow in sequential order with the person in front of you, you were not eligible to register. The procedure was successful, but why did it take arguments and fights to organize the line?

Cynthia Sayman, a student, fought through the line and arrived at a more effective way to register: "When you sign up to meet with the advisor, you should be able to register with them. It would still be on a first come first serve basis and it would be so much easier for everybody."

If you have any suggestions on how to improve the registration procedure, please drop a note in the newspaper office (the old student union.)

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Music Reviews

Lighter Shade of Brown ***Layin' in the Cut***

This album could blow up if people give the group a chance. "Hey, D.J." has already been released and is showing potential. The album contains a variety of styles, ranging from laid-back beats and rhymes typical of Warren G. to the disco-influenced "Bop Gun," from Ice Cube--that is, without corny rhymes. I think a Lighter Shade of Brown will go somewhere.

by Joanne Jackowski

Wow! What crap!! The fact that these guys ever got a record deal speaks volume about the intelligence of recording industry executives. The whole album consists of two boneheads mumbling idiotic and overworked expressions over samples of other people's music. I guess it is supposed to be rap, but the light, cheesy mix makes it end up sounding like it was produced by Carly Simon. Each song has the same "lounge act" feel to it, and after a while the songs just sort of blend together into some kind of WMRV hell. The two pukes doing the vocals come off sounding like a couple of middle class white kids trying to sound like a couple of middle class white kids trying to sound black. It seems like the only things they can manage to talk about are getting laid, getting hassled by "gansta's," and how tough it is to be rich and famous. God, if there's one thing I can't stand, it's jerks who spend years trying to make it in the music industry, and then turn around and complain about how crappy their lives are after they make it! Give me a huge break. Not only is that one of the stupidest things I can imagine anybody ever saying, but I am amazed at how often I hear it. So many bands spend so much time apologizing for their success that it's a small wonder they ever actually get anything recorded. Oh well, at least these two dorks won't have anything to complain about for too much longer. This was their first album, and it seems highly unlikely that there will ever be another. Thank God!

by Craig Flint

Martin Page ***In the House of Stone and Light***

Martin Page's album can be best described as adult contemporary. Most of his lyrics deal with the life of love and are quite "Barry Manilow-like." All the music on the album is extremely slow and didn't make me want to listen to the CD again. Only one song grabbed my attention--"In My Room." That song is about a kid who could hear his mother being beaten by his father at night. It is sad, but that's about it. Needless to say, Page's *In the House of Stone and Light,* just doesn't do it.

by Joanne Jackowski

There is very little to say about this album. It's just another crappy attempt to appeal to the yuppie crowd. Just imagine all the very cool people from the 1970s who sold out in the '80s--like Paul Simon, Steve Winwood and Peter Gabriel. If you took those three guys, smashed them all together, and then added some dork like Michael Bolton, you would end up with someone very much like Martin Page. I have very little respect or even tolerance for "vocalists." A vocalist is a person who thinks that his or her voice is so great that they don't even have to bother with good musicians. They figure nobody will notice how crappy the music is as long as their mouths are running. Well, I notice! It is offensive to me that these guys make any money at all. The fact that these people are able to sell albums only goes to show the overall stupidity of the average record buying public.How would I describe this album? Pretentious, boring, average, sappy, worthless.

by Clint Flint

Bruce Dickinson ***Balls to Picasso***

Holy ***! Bruce Dickinson. When I was given this CD to review I didn't even realize who it was. It wasn't until I put it on and heard an eerily familiar voice emanating from my speakers that it occurred to me. Bruce Dickinson. Didn't he used to sing with Iron Maiden? Yep. That Bruce Dickinson.At this point I would like to apologize to any Maiden fans in advance. I gave up on them right around the time that Eddie got his lobotomy, so I'm not really up on what's been going on with them since. So, give me a break if I get some of my facts mixed up. I know Maiden put an album out a year or two ago (something about "darkness" or "midnight" or something) and I believe Dickinson was still with them. So, is it safe to assume that this is his first solo project? OK, first the bad stuff. The reason I gave up on metal all those years ago is that, frankly, I find it rather boring. Very few styles of music are as predictable as metal, and this album is no different. It is loaded with power chords piled on top or power chords interspersed with innocuous little 30 second guitar solos requiring no finesse at all. And then there are the lyrics. Why is it absolutely necessary to construct every song the same way? Verse, chorus, verse, chorus, 30 second guitar solo, chorus. Few and far between are the songs that deviate from the sacred formula. And the content is no better. Jaded little ditties about how bad war is, or how hard it is for teen-agers to deal with life.There, now that I got that out of my system, let's talk about the good stuff. First of all, Dickinson does not seem to have lost any of his range over the last 12 years. His voice is still as strong as it ever was, though he doesn't seem to go high as often as he used to.Also, the album itself sounds very well produced. Possibly overproduced. There is an awful lot of moving around of guitars and things from one channel to another and back again. Some people like that. Personally, it always makes me think there's something wrong with my system and I have to consciously stop myself from adjusting the balance. But, the sound is very clean and, overall, the album is quite powerful.Finally, just because I didn't like it doesn't mean you won't. As far as metal albums go, it is good, and if head banging is your deal, you can expect a pretty good headache by the time it's over.Give it a listen.

by Clint Flint

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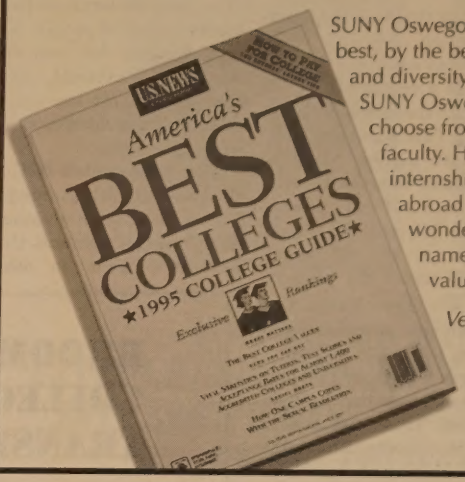

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How to hold a successful fund-raiser

Blend good food with a cause, and you have a winning recipe for a fund-raiser.

Some of the most exprienced fund-raising organizers recently shared their secrets for successful benefit events. These planners are members of Aid Association for Lutherans (AAL), a fraternal benefit society with 1.6 million members nationwide. A favorite activity among the 8,673 local branches of AAL is raising money to help others. In fact, in 1993 AAL members raised $3.6 million to help midwest flood victims, and now they are holding fund-raisers for victims of the Georgia floods and California earthquakes, as well as for needs in their communities and congregations.

Here are some tips from these successful fund-raisers:
1)Choose a menu that will be a big draw for the people in your area. In addition to the main dish, be sure to plan side dishes that are appealing and easy to prepare. Tasty choices for salads, vegetables, bread, beverages and dessert can enhance the lure of the main menu item.

2)Make sure you will clear enough money to ensure a worthwhile fun-raiser. An ideal way to beat the expense problem is by donations from outside vendors.

3)Keep records. You need to keep notes so it will make it easier to plan the cost and preparation for the next fund-raiser.

4)Enlist plenty of help. The event chairperson may want to choose a committee to handle each of the following areas: tickets, menu, food donations and purchasing, servers, entertainment, publicity and supplies. Be sure to express gratitude for everyone's help before, during and after the event. A fund-raiser meal requires a lot of work so keep morale and spirits high.

5)Give yourself enough advance time. Start planning the meal two or three months in advance. Reserve the event facility early. The night before the fund-raiser set up the tables, serving area and decorations. Have workers come two to four hours before it begins to brief everyone on how the event will run and to do final food preparation.

6)Follow the rules. Check to see if local laws require any permits for your event or health codes require specific procedures for food preparation and serving.

7)Decide how you will ask for money. You can ask a set price for each plate, or you can ask for donations at the door plus a set admission fee.

8)Publicize the event in advance. Publicity can make a big difference in total number of people attending the event, and therefore how much you raise. Try to get an advance article in the newspaper or on local radio and television stations. Since your fund-raiser is for charity, you will be able to get the publicity for free. For newspapers, simply request a brief feature article or notice in the community events calendar. For broadcast media, request a public service announcement. Posters and flyers are also helpful.

9)ENJOY!

International students share recipes

BCC's international students want to share some of their favorite recipes. One of these dishes may be just what you need to spice up your holiday meals.

Tempura--A deep-fried dish. Although it is regarded as a typical Japanese dish, it was introduced by the Portuguese in the late sixteenth century.

Ingredients: white fish, squid, shrimp, shellfish, etc., and vegetables such as eggplant, sweet potato, onion, green pepper.

Preparation: Slice ingredients to about bite-size, then dip into a lumpy flour and water batter. Putdipped, quarter-size ingredients into a skillet of hot vegetable oil.

Cooking time: Deep fry for about four to five minutes.

Serve: *Tempura* is usually eaten with a dipping sauce comprised of soy sauce, sweet rice wine (mirin), and a soup broth (dashi). Grated white radish (daikon-oroshi) is often served to garnish the sauce.

Potato *Latkes*--A latecomer to the *Hanukkah* menu, an Eastern European recipe.

Ingredients: 9 medium-sized potatoes, 3 small onions (chopped, in salad oil), 3 eggs (slightly beaten), 3 tbsp. flour, 1/4 tsp. pepper, 1 1/2 tsp. salt, 3/4 tsp. baking powder.

Preparation: Wash and peel potatoes, then grate them. Let them sit for about ten minutes and then drain all liquid that remains. Fry the chopped onions in enough salad oil to cover the bottom of a skillet. Add the fried onions to the drained potatoes and stir in the eggs. Add the flour, pepper, salt, and baking powder and mix. Drop the batter by spoonfuls into a large skillet containing about1/4 inch of hot salad oil. Flatten with a pancake turner. When the edges of the latkes turn brown, flip and brown the other side. Drain on paper towel and keep warm in a pre-heated oven at 180 degrees until you are ready to serve. *Latkes* are served with sour cream or apple sauce.

Sweetened Green Beans

Ingredients: 2 lbs. of green beans. 1/2 lb. sugar, 3 liters of water.

Preparation: Put the two pounds of green beans in a pot of boiling water. Bring to a boil, then lower heat. Simmer for at least 45 minutes, until the green beans are tender. Then add sugar to the green beans and stir. Sweetened green beans are delicious with rice.

Sports

Baseball strike update

by Bob Arciolla

On December 5, 1994 baseball owners will meet in Chicago where they may decide to impose their plan for a salary cap. Owners have some difficult problems and they do not want another winter of arbitration. They began that process in 1974 and are now trying to get rid of it. There has not been a face to face meeting between the owners and players' union for a long time now. It has been mentioned that the negotiating committee will talk to each club and get updates as to where each team stands.

The talks recessed a while ago, but the union officials said that they plan further examination of management's taxation proposal. The Associated Press studied the plan and indicated the payroll taxes it produces. It stated that at some levels the tax would be 50 times higher than the payroll tax that was proposed by the union.

There was a proposal by the union for a tax of about 1.6 percent on the baseball clubs' payrolls. This was used with the sixteen highest payrolls. The highest was the Detroit Tigers, with a 40 man payroll at about $58 million, which produced a tax of about $928,000 under the players' plan. At that level, the management proposal calls for a tax about $46 million.

There is a another meeting coming up about the disabled list case. This case covers about 30 players. The talks will be held on January 20 and the answers to all the disabled players questions will be held on February 3.

Will baseball ever come back? Will the strike ever end? These are questions all baseball fans are asking, but no one knows the answer. Keep your fingers crossed and hope it will be over soon.

BCC cheerleaders: the spirit of the team

by Mike Innarella, Sports Editor

The cheerleaders have been a busy bunch of people. Not only cheering for men and women's basketball, they also cheered for the soccer team and the hockey team hereat Broome.

They represented BCC at theArena in the beginning of November at the high school STAC competition and they have also gone to other colleges for exhibitions.

They practice three times a week for about three hours each. They are a diverse team made up of 14 girls and 3 guys: Lisa Christopher, Kim Reister, Heather Nelson, Heather Barrett, Jody Terpak, Becky Slavik, Carolynn Secor, Amy Rich, Brandy Auber, Maureen Kane, Jenn King, Shannon Poutenza, Kelly Hineburt, Ami Arrow, Karen Bennett, Steve Stoechel, Tony Woolson, and John Stamos.

Their coach is Leah Hoosier. You can see them at any basketball game. Watch them and enjoy.

Basketball

Men's

Broome Community College's men's basketball team has a more "spread out" distribution of talent according to starting guard Kevin Lucia. "Last year's team had its talent channeled into 3 players," stated Lucia prior to the men's game on November 30 against Delhi Tech.

This year's team features the athleticism of French exchange student Bruno Gernud. They have the great rebounding of Dave Reynolds and the amazing ball handling of Shelton Lindsey. They also have the great playing of Kevin Lucia as one of the swing guards.

The team prior to the Delhi Tech game was one win and three loses. They lost the Delhi Tech game due to poor officiating. Delhi Tech had 37 free throws while officials kept Broome in check with 10 free throws.

BCC has more games to come. Watch and cheer them to victory.

Women's

This season's Lady Hornets basketball team have improved in many ways compared to last year's team. A major improvement is in the team's depth. This year's team consists of ten players in comparison to last year's six players.

The team consists of three captains - Valerie Chier, Michelle Rogers, and Lauren Scone. Rogers is lethal from the perimeter, Chier can kill a team on the inside, and Scone can beat a team inside, outside, and defensively. She and Regan Pendall are both great rebounders. Twins - Cheryl and Carol Brown alternate at playing point guard, and kill a team off the dribble.

Freshman forwards, Kim Keller and Stacy Chase, are defensive giants. Chase displayed her prowess as she frustrated Hudson Valley's best shooter in the December 3rd game, which the Lady Hornets won 62 to 45.

The team averages 5'8" in height, but their two 5'4" players--Tamara Walton and Heather Dodge-- give the team heart.

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The conclusion of the soccer season

by Mike Innarella, Sports Editor

The men's soccer team had a great year. At one time they were ranked ninth in the nation, but this year they made it to the semi - finals. Unfortunately, they lost to Morrisville. Their record ended up to be 14 - 4 - 1.

They worked well together the whole year and handled the ball excellent. They had 'a very understanding coach - Ed Daub. The key players on the team consisted of the speed and the main scorer of Ian Gillenger up on the offense along with Derek Weston.

Toby LaBereara was their power in the midfield. Their defense was strong and consisted of Tim Finch, Chuck Dunn, Dana English, Eric Wolfe, and Andy Kriste. Mike Potter was their starting goalie.

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compiled by Jennifer McCague

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aliterate- n. A person who prefers watching television and movies or listening to radio rahter than reading a book or magazine.

bitchin'- adj. 1. very good, excellent.
2. fashionable, groovy, cool, with it.

celebutante- n. A person who is a new and popular subject of gossip in fashionable society.

computer widow/widower- n. A woman or man whose spouse is preoccupied with working on his/her computer, especially in place of paying attention to the spouse.

faddict- n. A person who compulsively follows a temporary fashion. This condition has been described as a faddiction, similar to a drug addiction but substituted with the latest fashion-clique.

joy germ fever- n. A mental condition characterized by happiness, kindness, and courtesy.

junkfood imperialism- n./phr. Aggressive international marketing of food that is high in calories but low in nutritional value, such as candy and most fast foods. Fast Food Imperialism is also very real; it has taken over the BCC cafeteria (okay, not exactly but if Taco Bell can worm its way in, why not McDonalds?).

lying-in-the-road death- n./phr. The accidental death of a pedestrian, caused by the drunkenness of the victim who falls asleep or faints in a rural roadway and is run over by an unsuspecting motorist.

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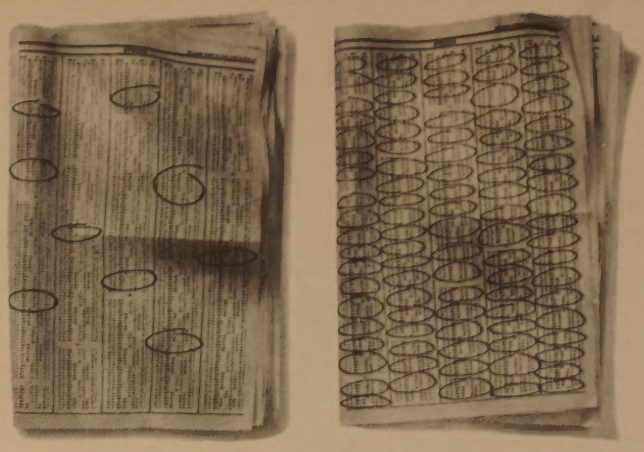

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